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FM AMEMBASSY QUITO

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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (TEXT)

FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY KUBISCH FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, EFIS, MASS, EC, US

SUBJECT: FMS WAIVER: APPROACH TO PRESIDENT RODRIGUEZ

REF: STATE 106328, 106329

1. APPOINTMENT PRESIDENT RODRIGUEZ CONFIRMED TUESDAY,
JANUARY 29, 7:30 P.M. LOCAL.

2. UNFORTUNATELY, FACT FMS HAS BEEN LIFTED IS NO LONGER
A SECRET HERE. AT MILITARY SOCIAL FUNCTION FRIDAY EVENING,
JANUARY 25, PRESIDENT EXPRESSED HIS PLEASURE AT LIFTING FMS
TO DEFATT AND SAID HE WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO HIS DISCUSSION
WITH ME. OTHER ECUADOREAN SENIOR OFFICERS TOLD US MILITARY
OFFICERS PRESENT THAT WORD LIFTING FMS SUSPENSION CAME FROM
WASHINGTON. THEY WERE ELATED AT THIS DEVELOPMENT AND ASKED
TO BEGIN DISCUSSIONS ON MATERIEL, ETC. WITH DAO PERSONNEL
ON JANUARY 28. ON JANUARY 21 BRITISH MILATT CAME TO SEE
DEFATT TO SAY THAT HIS AMBASSADOR HAD RECEIVED WORD FROM
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WASHINGTON THAT FMS HAD BEEN LIFTED AND TO INQUIRE WHAT

THIS ACTION MEANT.

3. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, IT M*GHT BE HELPFUL IF YOU
COULD SEE AMBASSADOR QUEVEDO EARLY ENOUGH JANUARY 29 TO
PERMIT REPORT YOUR CONVERSATION REACH ME TELEGRAPHICALLY
BEFORE MY MEETING WITH PRESIDENT. GIVEN CIRCUMSTANCES BY
APPOINTMENT WITH PRESIDENT (QUITO 0494, NOTAL) WHICH IS
APPARENTLY STILL ESSENTIALLY PRIVATE, I SUGGEST YOU
TELL AMBASSADOR QUEVEDO I AM INFORMING GOE RATHER THAN
THAT I AM INFORMING PRESIDENT RODRIGUEZ.
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